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Opening Convocation
Preparation for Worship

I Will Rise
   Verse 1
There’s a peace I’ve come to know, Though my heart and flesh may fail
There’s an anchor for my soul, I can say it is well
Jesus has overcome and the grave is overwhelmed
The victory is won, He is risen from the dead

Chorus
(And) I will rise when He calls my name, No more sorrow no more pain
I will rise on eagle’s wings, Before my God fall on my knees and rise
   I will rise

Verse 2
There’s a day that’s drawing near, When this darkness breaks to light
And the shadows disappear, And my faith shall be my eyes
And I hear the voice of many angels sing, Worthy is the Lamb
And I hear the cry of ev’ry longing heart, Worthy is the Lamb
(Repeat)

Ending
I will rise, I will rise

The Service of the Word of the Lord

Processional Hymn

As With Gladness Men of Old

Music: William Chatterton Dix (1837-1898)
Music: Dix, melody Conrad Kocher (1786-1872); arr. William Henry Monk (1823-1889);

harm. The English Hymnal, 1906

1 As with gladness men of old did the guiding star behold;
2 As with joyful steps they sped to that lowly manger bed;
3 As they offered gifts most rare at that manger rude and bare;
4 Holy Jesus! every day keep us in the narrow way;
5 In the heavenly country bright, need they no created light;

1 As with joy they hailed its light, leading onward, beam-ing bright;
2 There to bend the knee before him whom heaven and earth adore;
3 So may we with holy joy, pure and free from sin's alloy,
4 And, when earthly things are past, bring our ransomed souls at last;
5 Thou its light, its joy, its crown, thou its sun which goes not down:

1 So, most gracious Lord, may we evermore be led to thee.
2 So may we with willing feet ever seek the mercy seat.
3 All our costliest treasures bring, Christ! to thee, our heavenly King.
4 Where they need no star to guide, where no clouds thy glory hide.
5 There for ever may we sing alleluias to our King.
Opening Acclamation

Celebrant  Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
People     And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

The Celebrant and People pray together

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Songs of Praise and Worship

Arise

Chorus
Arise take Your place,
Be enthroned on our praise
Arise King of kings, Holy God as we sing:
Arise, arise, arise, arise.

Verse
One thing we ask of You, One thing that we desire
That as we worship You, Lord come and change our lives.
Arise arise, arise, arise.

Bridge
We lift You up, We lift You up,
We lift You up on our praises
We lift You up, We lift You up,
We lift You up on our praises

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**We Want To See Jesus Lifted High**

**Verse**
We want to see Jesus lifted high, a banner that flies across this land
That all men might see the truth and know He is the way to heaven

**Chorus 1**
We want to see, We want to see
We want to see Jesus lifted high (Repeat)

**Bridge**
Step by step we’re moving forward, little by little taking ground
Every prayer a powerful weapon
Strongholds come tumbling down and down and down and down

**Chorus 2**
We're gonna see, We're gonna see
We're gonna see Jesus lifted high (Repeat)


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**The Collect for the Feast of the Epiphany**

_Celebrant_ The Lord be with you.
_All_ And also with you.
_Celebrant_ Let us pray.
_All_ O God, by the leading of a star you manifested your only Son to the peoples of the earth: Lead us, who know you now by faith, to your presence, where we may see your glory face to face; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

_The people sit as the appointed lessons are read._

**First Lesson**

_Isaiah 60:1-6, 9_

Following the Lesson, the Reader says
The Word of the Lord.

_People_ Thanks be to God.
Psalm 72: 1-17  
Deus, judicium  
A Royal Psalm, extolling the virtues of the Messianic King

1 Give thee King your justice, Ó God, *  
and your righteousness / to the King’s Son;

2 That he may rule your people righteously *  
and the / poor with justice;

3 That the mountains may bring prosperity to the people, *  
and the little / hills bring righteousness.

4 He shall defend the needy among the people; *  
he shall rescue the poor and crush / the oppressor.

5 He shall live as long as the sun and moon endure, *  
from one generation / to another.

6 He shall come down like rain upon the mown field, *  
like showers that / water the earth.

7 In his time shall the righteous flourish; *  
there shall be abundance of peace  
till the / moon shall be no more.

8 He shall rule from sea to sea, *  
and from the River to the / ends of the earth.

9 His foes shall bow down before him, *  
and his en/enemies lick the dust.
The kings of Tarshish and of the isles shall pay tribute, *
and the kings of Arabia and / Saba offer gifts.

All kings shall bow down before him, *
and all the nations / do him service.

For he shall deliver the poor who cries out in distress, *
and the oppressed who / has no helper.

He shall have pity on the lowly and poor; *
he shall preserve the lives / of the needy.

He shall redeem their lives from oppression and violence, *
and dear shall their blood / be in his sight.

Long may he live!
and may there be given to him gold from Arabia; *
may prayer be made for him always,
and may they bless him / all the day long.

May there be abundance of grain on the earth,
growing thick even on the hilltops; *
may its fruit flourish like Lebanon,
and its grain like / grass upon the earth.

May his Name remain for ever
and be established as long as the sun endures; *
may all the nations bless themselves in him
and / call him blessed.

(Bowing) Glory to the Father, and to the Son, *
and to the / Holy Spirit:
(Rising) As it was in the beginning, is now, *
and will be for/ever. Amen.

Second Lesson
Following the Lesson, the Reader says
The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.
How Bright Appears the Morning Star

1 How bright appears the Morning Star, with mercy beam-ing
from a far; the host of heaven rejoices;
O right-eous Branch, O Jesse's Rod! Thou Son of Man and
Son of God! We, too, will lift our voices:

2 Though cir-cled by the hosts on high, he deigned to cast a
pit-ting eye up-on his help-less crea-ture;
the whole crea-tion's Head and Lord, by high-est ser-a-
phim adored, as-sumed our very na-ture;

3 Re-joice, ye heavens; thou earth, re-ply; with praise, ye sin-ners,
fill the sky, for this his In-car-na-tion.
In-car-nate God, put forth thy power, ride on, ride on, great
Con-quero-or, till all know thy sal-

Gospel Hymn
The Gospel Reading

Matthew 2:1-12

Before the Gospel, the Reader says

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to St. Matthew.

All Glory to you, Lord Christ.

After the Gospel, the Reader says

The Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

A Rembrandtesque Epiphany

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The Nicene Creed

Standing, all say together

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
    maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
    the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,
    God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
    begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father.
    Through him all things were made.
    For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven:
    by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate
    from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.
    For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
    he suffered death and was buried.
    On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;
    he ascended into heaven
    and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
    He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
    and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
    who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
    With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
    He has spoken through the Prophets.
    We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
    We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
    We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life
    of the world to come. Amen

The Prayers of the People

The people kneel, sit or stand as they pray to the Lord.

Leader     Let us pray for the Church and for the world.
            Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in
            your truth, live together in your love, and reveal you glory in the world.

Silence

Leader     Lord, in your mercy:

All        Hear our prayer.
Leader: Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Silence

Leader: Lord, in your mercy:
All: Hear our prayer.

Leader: Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Silence

Leader: Lord, in your mercy:
All: Hear our prayer.

Leader: Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

Silence

Leader: Lord, in your mercy:
All: Hear our prayer.

Leader: Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

Silence

Leader: Lord, in your mercy:
All: Hear our prayer.

Leader: We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all the saints in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

Leader: Lord, in your mercy:
All: Hear our prayer.
The Confession of Sin

Leader      Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence

All        Most merciful God,
      we confess that we have sinned against you
      in thought, word, and deed,
      by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.
      We have not loved you with our whole heart;
      we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
      We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
      For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
      have mercy on us and forgive us;
      that we may delight in your will,
      and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

The Celebrant pronounces God’s forgiveness, then says to the people
The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All        And also with you.

The people greet one another in the name of Christ.

Announcements

The Holy Communion

The Offertory Anthem    Behold the Star    William L. Dawson
Performed by IWS Choir and Instrumentalists. Tonight’s offering will benefit the ongoing ministry of the Institute for Worship Studies. Checks should be made payable to the Institute for Worship Studies.

The Doxology    Lasst uns erfreuen
The people stand and give thanks to God, singing
Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him all creatures here below;
Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise Him above ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost;
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
The Great Thanksgiving

*The people remain standing. The Celebrant faces them and says*

The Lord be with you.

**People** And also with you.

**Celebrant** Lift up your hearts.

**People** We lift them to the Lord.

**Celebrant** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People** It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

*All sing together the Sanctus*

Setting: Robert Powell (b. 1932)
The people stand or kneel. Then the Celebrant continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, “Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, “Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”

Celebrant

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

All

We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;

The Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. AMEN.

Celebrant

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,
The Lord’s Prayer

Our Father in heaven,

hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come,
your will be done on earth as in heav’n.

Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins

as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of

trial, and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are

yours, now and for ever. Amen.
The Breaking of the Bread
The Celebrant breaks the consecrated bread.

Agnus Dei
O Lamb of God you take away the sins of the world: Have mercy on us.
O Lamb of God you take away the sins of the world: Have mercy on us.
O Lamb of God you take away the sins of the world: Grant us peace, grant us peace.


Now, facing the people, the Celebrant says the following invitation
The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

The Communion of the People
The ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds, and then immediately deliver it to the people.

Visitors who have been baptized, who know Christ to be their Savior, and who would be welcome to receive Communion in their home church, are welcome at the Lord’s Table in this church.
Children whose parents do not want them to receive Communion, or others who do not wish to do so, are encouraged to come forward, cross their arms across their chests, and receive a prayer of blessing.

We Cry Out
Verse 1
Father of life seated on Your throne of grace; It's only by Your mercy we are saved
Lord You have said if we call upon Your Name; We and our families will be saved

Chorus
So we cry out Your Name: El Shaddai, God of grace, Lord Most High, Jesus Christ
We rely on Your grace, Adonai, crowned in praise, Lord Most High Jesus Christ

Verse 2
Father of love never failing to forgive; Each moment is a gift from You to live
We're only here to tell the world about Your grace; Until the day You take us all away

I See the Lord

Verse
I see the Lord seated on the throne, exalted
And the train of His robe fills the temple with glory
And the whole earth is filled, And the whole earth is filled
And the whole earth is filled with His glory

Chorus
Holy holy holy holy; Holy is the Lord
Holy holy holy holy; Holy is the Lord of lords


This Is Love/You Are My King

Verse 1
Nail pierced hands, a wounded side, this is love, this is love.
The holy heart was sacrificed, this is love, this is love.

Chorus
I bow down to the Holy One, I bow down to the Lamb,
I bow down to the Worthy One, I bow down to the Lamb.

Verse 2
The Son of God, He died for us, this is love, this is love.
He walked the hill, He bore the cross, this is love, this is love.

Medley/Ending
I’m forgiven because You were forsaken. I’m accepted, You were condemned.
I’m alive and well, Your Spirit is within me because You died and rose again.
    Amazing love, how can it be that You, my King, would die for me?
    Amazing love, I know it’s true; it’s my joy to honor You. In all I do I honor You.
    You are my King, You are my King.
    Jesus, You are my King; Jesus, You are my King.

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How Great Is Our God

Verse 1
The splendor of the King clothed in majesty,
Let all the earth rejoice, All the earth rejoice.
He wraps Himself in light and darkness tries to hide,
And trembles at His voice, And trembles at His voice.

Chorus
How great is our God, Sing with me,
How great is our God; and all will see how great, how great is our God!

Verse 2
And age to age He stands, and time is in His hands,
Beginning and the End, Beginning and the End.
The Godhead three in one, Father, Spirit, Son,
The Lion and the Lamb, The Lion and the Lamb.

Bridge
Name above all names, Worthy of all praise,
My heart will sing how great is our God.


The Postcommunion Prayer

Celebrant
Let us pray.

All
Almighty and everliving God,
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food
of the most precious Body and Blood
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.
And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do,
to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

The Celebrant blesses the people
Celebrant   Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
All               Thanks be to God.

Postlude
*Toccata on Great Day*               African-American Spiritual, arr. Adolphus Hailstork
We would like to extend our sincerest thanks to...

the Rev’d Kurt Dunkle, Rector of Grace Episcopal Church and tonight’s Celebrant, and the people of Grace Episcopal Church for their assistance with this service.

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IWS alumna Dr. Linda Borecki, organist, IWS alumnus Dr. Bill Cummings, lead musician, and Secretary/Treasurer of the IWS Board, the Rev’d Dr. Wayne Freeberg, assisting minister for their service tonight.

the visiting choristers from New Grace Church, for their continued support of IWS.

all of our host families for welcoming our students into their homes during this week.

Your hospitality blesses us immeasurably.

Please join us for a reception in honor of the IWS Community in Benedict Hall immediately following the service.